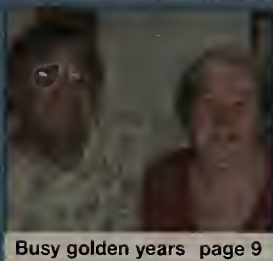


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The art of shofar making

Students from the Jewish Preschool of the Arts gather around Rabbi Menachem Blum, as he teaches them the ins and outs of Shofar making. The Jewish Preschool of the Arts is housed in the Jewish Youth Library and open to children ages two to five. More community photos on page 14 and 15.

New Israeli ambassador calls on Canada to help reform UN

By Barry Fishman, editor
Allan Baker wants Canada to help save the UN.

The newly arrived Israeli ambassador to Canada, who officially began his work in late September, will consider his four-year appointment a success, if he can engage Canada's help in getting "the UN [to] pull itself out of this cycle of anti-Israel politicized activity that is manipulated by the Palestinians."

The British-born lawyer and, until his recent appointment, legal adviser for Israel's Foreign Ministry, is well suited for his new position. Baker has represented Israel in negotiations with the



Ambassador Alan Baker
(OJB photo: Barry Fishman)

Palestinians, Egyptians, Jordanians, Lebanese and United Nations

legal committees. He also spent three years in the mid-80s in the office of legal affairs at the UN in New York.

Canada's prominent position in the UN, its support of multi-lateralism and its positive relationship with the Palestinians and non-aligned countries put it in a unique position to influence the UN. The ambassador believes part of the problem with the UN is that the General Assembly ignores pressing issues like thousands of people being killed in places like Sudan. Instead it busily continues with its anti-Israel resolutions.

He is hopeful that, led by
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Manji: diversity and pluralism integral part of Islam

By Robert Walker

Ever since she challenged her mosque teacher as a child to prove his claims of a global Jewish conspiracy, and was soon expelled for "asking too many of the wrong questions," author and lecturer Irshad Manji knew that she would be fighting an uphill battle for Islamic reform against a tide of strict Islamic thinking.

Manji, author of *The Trouble with Islam*, recently spoke at Carleton University in a lecture entitled "Israel, Islam and Diversity," hosted by the Jewish Students' Association (JSA)-Hillel Ottawa, and co-sponsored by the Persian Students' Association, National Jewish Cam-

pus Life and Random House of Canada.

"Muslims need to rediscover the lost tradition of *Ijtihad*," she said, referring to the Arabic word that means independent and critical thought, adding that Islam "cannot survive if it does not allow oxygen" to fuel debate.

Manji emphasized her belief that diversity and pluralism are an integral part of Islam. "I am not asking my fellow Muslims to import a foreign tradition or a Western value into the faith but rather educate them that we once had this progressive pluralistic tradition that allowed the Muslim world to lead the rest of the world in innovation."

But what does Israel have to do with her Islamic faith?

"The reason that I defend Israel is because I defend the diversity that exists there," she said. She is pained in her belief that Islam has been hijacked and driven for hundreds of years by literalists and fundamentalists, who oppose questioning whatever is written in the Muslim holy book, the Koran. They suffer from what she describes as a "supremacy complex," whereby the Koran is seen as the final, authoritative word of God.

The problem with Islam, which does not affect its predecessors Judaism and Christianity to the
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Irshad Manji signs copies of her books following her lecture.

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Analysis: Hamas threatens to strike outside the ballpark

By Arieh O'Sullivan

The assassination of a key Hamas operative in a foreign capital will likely lead to Hamas carrying through with its threat to change its policy and strike at Israeli and Jewish targets around the world.

Until now, the staunchly disciplined Hamas organization, while responsible for scores of suicide bombings and attacks, has limited its strikes to Israel and the territories. Analysts believe that the Hamas arsenal is not empty and that they do have the network and capability of launching deadly terror attacks abroad.

That said, analysts believe

this was the risk worth taking at this present geopolitical moment. The tactical benefits of hitting Izz al-Din al-Sheikh Khalil are marginal. But the psychological and strategic benefits are great.

The strike came after repeated finger-pointing and warnings by Israel that it would widen its war on terrorists and that no place was immune. Perhaps Israel's Mossad was helped by a subcontractor? Perhaps they were even Syrian? The point is that Bashar Assad was caught red-handed. After declaring that the Hamas leadership had all cleared out of town, one of them found

himself blown to bits right there in the capital.

Hamas was quick to blame Israel and that too further humiliated Assad by exposing that Israel or its agents could strike in the heart of his country with impunity. Leaders here know that Assad's options are limited. He would never seek a frontal conflict with a much mightier Israel. With the Americans breathing down his neck to remove his troops from Lebanon, retaliating at Israel through its proxy Hezbollah also seems remote.

"Syria is weak," said Prof. Eyal Zisser of Tel Aviv University's Dayan Center. "It is

very humiliating for Syria, but they are not going to start a war against Israel over this. They will be very careful."

The question could be that perhaps this is the time for Assad to do a rethink? Perhaps consider that harbouring Palestinian terrorists is not in Syria's best interests? "[Assad] needs to think what he will get in return and for the moment the pressure is not enough for this move," Zisser said.

Lt.-Col. (res.) Moshe Marzuk, a former head of the Lebanon and Palestinian desk in IDF Intelligence, believes Hamas will carry through with its threat to start

targeting Jewish and Israeli targets abroad.

"They have operational capabilities. They are organized. Their guys who raise money and get weapons are military operatives and they can transport people and really deliver a blow. That is not the problem," said Marzuk, a researcher at the International Policy Institute for Counter-Terrorism.

"The problem is that Hamas needs to have a launching pad. It will be very difficult for them to operate in other countries if Israel adopts this policy of accountability."

The message Israel deliv-

ered to Damascus is that Israel is willing to go up a notch in its war on terror.

The price is worth it, politically. It presents the Syrians with a dilemma because they never paid the price. Israel showed that it is capable of staging this assassination inside Syria.

Marzuk added that taking out Khalil was not a significant tactical blow to Hamas. The major impact of the strike was its political message to the Syrian capital that it is vulnerable to Israeli actions and that if nothing is done, the stakes will get higher.

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Manji seeks progressive side of Islam

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same degree, is the fact that, in Islam, literalism is becoming mainstream, she says.

Manji was impressed by her fact-finding trip to Israel in July of 2002. Before departure, she was surprised to find that the El Al official who interrogated her- "he interrogated everyone, not just me," she stressed- was an Indian-born Israeli Jew. She was also surprised to learn that Israel is an officially bilingual country of Hebrew and Arabic, which she saw in practice on the Arabic-subtitled flight safety video and on every road sign in Israel.

"While in Jerusalem I

saw over 1,000 Muslims praying, and I wondered where in the Arab world could 1,000 Jews pray out in the public like that." She commended Israel's diversity of expression, and she recalled seeing a newspaper article about a prominent Israeli politician who expressed fierce opposition to having "religious North American Jews" immigrate to Israel. "That man is now the Israeli Justice Minister," she said pointedly.

One of the major turning points in her own critical thinking on *Ijtihad* can be traced to December 2000 in Toronto.

While working at City

TV, she returned to her office to find a press clipping on her desk about a 17-year-old Muslim Nigerian woman who had been accused of premarital sex, but was in fact raped. The woman was sentenced to 180 lashes.

Moses Znaimer, executive producer and president of City TV and her boss at the time, wrote in the margins of the article, "Irshad, one of these days you will explain to me how you reconcile your Muslim faith with this kind of insanity."

After seeing the article, she became defensive and pushed it away, but "I couldn't push it out of my mind,"

she said, adding that it caused her to look for the more progressive side of her religion - hence *Ijtihad*.

Manji always receives a number of critical letters from Muslims after many of her lectures and speeches. One which irritates her the most is by a self-described "liberal Muslim" who warns her not to criticize Islam in public, for fear that "the Jews" are watching.

"Of course, the Jews are watching," Manji said during the lecture. "The Christians are watching, the Muslims are watching. Everyone is watching."



That sentiment certainly appeared true during the lecture, where the 210-seat auditorium Manji spoke in squeezed in over 300 people, leaving another 100 or so latecomers clamouring to hear her from outside the back doors.

Robert Walker is Director of Media Relations for JSA-Hillel Ottawa.


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Volunteer Profile: Irvin Hoffman and David Freeman

Dedicated to raising funds

By Hailey Eisen

Irvin Hoffman and David Freeman have a message for the youth of the Ottawa Jewish community.

"You are the future," says Freeman. "It is important to get involved and feel a sense of community while you are still young."

Hoffman and Freeman are the 2005 UJA Business Division co-chairs, and they are dedicated to raising funds and increasing the level of this year's campaign.

These two volunteers provide an excellent example for the youth of the community. Their involvement stretches far beyond the UJA campaign and seeps into their personal and family lives.

"We are both fathers," says Freeman proudly, "and through much of our work we aim to further what our fathers did before us."

Hoffman, an Ottawa native, has been involved with the UJA for over 20 years. For the past two years, he has worked as the chair of State of Israel Bonds, and is still on the board, he is the president of the B'nai Brith bowling league, a super volunteer of the Tamir golf marathon, and the co-chair of the poker tournament to raise money for the JCC summer camp. In his spare time, Hoffman is a hard-working insurance broker.

"We are young enough and healthy enough to fulfil our responsibility," says Freeman. "The older generation is getting older and the younger one is being trained – now is our turn to hold the torch."

Freeman was born in Woodstock, New Brunswick. He is currently president of Congregation Machzikei Hadas, chair of Camp B'nai Brith, president of Ottawa Lodge B'nai Brith, president of Parliament Lodge B'nai Brith and a member of the Ottawa Chevra Kadisha as well as other committees. With all of his volunteer com-



Irvin Hoffman and David Freeman

mitments, he still finds time for his real job as a food broker.

Both men agree that being so involved in the community is not always easy. "One of Irv and my secrets is that we have fun," says Freeman with a warm laugh.

It may seem simple, but it's quite effective. Their energy and spirit is contagious, and spending time with these co-chairs is encouraging.

They know that the work they do can be made fun with the right dose of joking and laughter.

But their commitment to the community is taken very seriously.

"This is a growing community, which we are proud to be part of," says Freeman.

"But, while things are good now, we would always like to help see them get better," adds Hoffman.

Agency profile: Meeting the needs of the 50+

Several years ago, a Jewish Family Services Seniors' Task Force identified three areas of need in terms of Ottawa's Seniors: programming, housing, and transportation. Some of the members of this task force quickly realized that if these core needs were to be met, they would have to make it happen themselves. Thus, in September 2000, AJA 50+ was born. It currently boasts 530 members, ranging in age from 50 to over 90 and membership continues to grow steadily.

Based on findings of the task force that spawned the group, there were three main parts to AJA 50+'s mandate. The organization provides a wide range of programming to meet the needs of the 50+ population in the Ottawa Jewish community and advises

members of other activities within the community which may be of interest to that age group. Thirdly, AJA 50+ helps support the development of housing, transportation, and other needed services for the 50+ Jewish population. One of their most recent successes in this regard is a potential partnership brokered between AJA 50+, Agudath Israel, and Communesco Levinson-Viner to provide affordable housing.

While AJA 50+ is an independently incorporated group and unaffiliated directly with any agency or synagogue, it works closely with area synagogues and other community agencies. Estelle Gunner, current president of the group, credits its success to its ability to meet the needs of a very diverse membership. For Gunner, *Building a Secure Jew-*

ish Future means having enough money to be able to continue to meet the needs of our 50+ population. "There's more to it than funding, but you can't do it without that core financial base."

Each year, monies raised through the annual UJA campaign are allocated among beneficiary agencies and programs, which collectively constitute an integral part of the Jewish fabric within our community. Your contribution to the 2005 UJA campaign is the foundation which ensures that AJA 50+ and other beneficiary agencies within the community will continue to build, thrive and sustain such high quality of services and programming.

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Irwin Cotler keynote speaker at Wallenberg commemoration

By Rubin Friedman
Plans for Ottawa's Holocaust Education Program, *Now therefore choose life*, are rapidly being finalized by the Shoah Committee.

This program will promote education about how righteous people faced with horrendous situations, chose to value life and to save their fellow human beings.

It seeks to highlight the simple courage of survivors who chose to go on living, to struggle for justice and to ensure that the lessons of the Shoah be shared with everyone.

Finally, the program will emphasize that the choice of life and the valuing of

human life are essential to combat the purveyors of hatred, death and destruction.

One of the precursors of this program being promoted by the committee is the presentation of a travelling exhibition, *Raoul Wallenberg: Symbol of Justice and Humanity*, which will be launched with a commemoration to be held on Sunday, October 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the Camber and Atrium Gallery in The Ben Franklin Place, 101 Centrepointe Drive, Ottawa (Nepean), Ontario.

Minister of Justice and Attorney General Irwin Cotler will be the keynote speaker at the commemoration.

Among the speakers will be the ambassadors of Hungary, Israel and Sweden. Following the opening ceremonies, the exhibition will be available to the general public.

The commemoration, sponsored by the Raoul

Wallenberg International Movement for Humanity (RWIMH), along with the Norshield Financial Group, celebrates the 60th anniversary of Raoul Wallenberg's rescue operations during the Holocaust.

Risking his life, he saved 100,000 Jews in Nazi occupied Budapest. Captured by the Soviet government, he was imprisoned and disappeared into the huge gulag system.

The exhibition has previously been shown in Toronto and Montreal. Organized by the Canadian and Hungarian affiliates of RWIMH, it is designed to be an educational tool to help the implementation of the *Raoul Wallenberg Lesson* in schools.

According to Vera Parnes, founder and president of RWIMH, "We think this exhibition is timely because Raoul Wallenberg's story teaches everyone to stand against hate and hostility which are the roots of

war, terror and genocide and because we believe that his deeds show us that even a single righteous person can make a difference."

Vera Gara, the RWIMH representative in Ottawa, and Vera Parnes, have both been appointed to be first-class members of the Royal Order of the Polar Star of Sweden.

According to Mrs. Gara, "it is essential that this exhibition be shown in Ottawa, our national capital. Our national government has already honoured Raoul Wallenberg with its first honorary citizenship and has recognized January 17 as Raoul Wallenberg Day.

"Our city has the responsibility to show national leadership on issues of tolerance, respect and care for other human beings."

RWIMH will be seeking volunteers to help serve as guides to the exhibit, which is in English and French.

For information, please call Vera Gara, representative of RWIMH in Ottawa, (613-722-6422) or Peter Rona, executive director of RWIMH (514-794-1656 or 514-332-1656).



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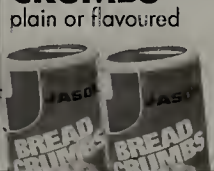


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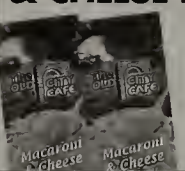
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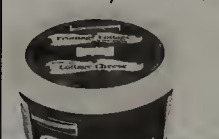


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UJA Women's Division broadening its scope

Editor's note: Vaad President Arnie Vered has arranged to share his column, on occasion, with the chairs or presidents of the community's major beneficiary agencies or committees so that they can provide some insight into their operations.

The true measure of our success in this year's campaign will be the extent to which we inspire greater community involvement in the campaign. While raising money is a key objective of the campaign, increased understanding and participation are also very important.

Our primary goals for Women's Division are simple: to expand its volunteering to include a broader spectrum of individuals, including young adults and retirees, as well as individuals who may have had leadership positions in UJA and other Jewish organizations in the past.

There have been many experiences in both our lives that have brought us to this point as co-chairs of Women's Division.

We both had a family member who had an unwavering devotion to community.

Each of our relationships with the late Gaby Sassoon, whose untimely death, and commitment to community, helped motivate us to participate in the 2002 Mission to Israel.

On the Mission we sat together,



VAAD Report

Co-chairs Anna-Lee Chiprout and Suzanne Sassoon

roomed together, learned together and saw first hand how UJA dollars make a difference to the well being of schools, hospitals and victims of terror. The Mission deepened our appreciation of Israel and increased our desire to do more for our own community in Ottawa.

We were transformed by the entire experience.

In preparation for our role as Women's Division co-chairs, we attended the UJA Federation's Canada Women's Leadership Conference held last May in Ottawa where we found the exchange of ideas intoxicating, stimulating many ideas for this year's campaign.

Plans may include outreach programs for small groups that will feature keynote speakers; going to Montreal's thriving UJA volunteer office to observe; developing educational sessions to promote tolerance

*The Mission deepened our appreciation of Israel ...
We were transformed by the entire experience.*

and understanding of Judaism amongst Jews and non-Jews; tapping individuals who have a particular expertise we can utilize and incorporate such as knowing how to effectively apply for grant applications; and engaging individuals fresh from missions and birthright trips so we may channel their experiences into special projects that will benefit our community.

Reinforcing our enthusiasm at the UJA Leadership Conference was the fact that 39 of the women who participated in the convention were from our own Jewish

community, all of whom either are, or have been, involved in the community in some capacity.

In fact, some who had been past chairs of Women's Division generously offered to mentor us through the co-chairing process this year, sage advice we can hardly refuse.

We are also fortunate to have Meg Friedman, senior associate of Women's Division and Young Leadership, newly on board with the UJA team.

With the combined expertise of Friedman and UJA Director Jack Silverstein, our mandate to tap into the vast resource of bright and talented individuals within our community, and encourage people of all ages to support and strengthen our community and Israel, will hopefully be fully realized.

In the spirit of *Tikkun Olam*, we enthusiastically embrace our challenge as co-chairs of Women's Division for the 2005 campaign, firmly believing that volunteering not only repairs the world, but also helps repair the individual.

For more information about Women's Division and getting involved, please call either Anna-Lee Chiprout (567-6450, ext. 237) or Suzanne Sassoon (241-6818).

Our community deserves your continued support

First, a warm Shana Tova to you all, members of arguably one of the most dynamic and cohesive Jewish communities in North America (based on travels and personal observation).

As dynamic and cohesive as we may be, we are still far from being a perfect community. In reality, as well as in theory, there is no such entity as a perfect community.

Ponder this for a moment: A perfect community has nothing left to achieve, and can rest on its laurels and retreat into stasis. But there is nothing more imperfect than stasis.

A human being, and a community of human beings, always needs to improve, to make tomorrow better than today after it has made sure that today is better than yesterday.

So, even if for philosophical reasons only, we dare not think of ours as a perfect community. We have lots more to achieve to address the crying needs of those living in poverty and those living in fear, to make Jewish education available to all, no matter what age, and to make being part of the community an affordable and welcome experience for all.

But we also have much of which to be proud, including an impressive array of Jewish schools of the day and afternoon variety, unprecedented educational opportunities for adults, some pretty effective youth organizations, dynamic synagogues, services for the very young and the very vulnerable members of our community, a community sup-



From the pulpit

Rabbi
Reuven P. Bulka
Machzikai Hadas

ported Vaad HaKashrut, a community based and embraced Hevra Kadisha, Israel related activities, etc. (My apologies to any category I may have left out.)

It's in this context that I share with you some concerns about how we appreciate our community. We are now in the midst of the United Jewish Appeal campaign for next year. Everyone in leadership, be it at the community level, or in specific agencies or organizations, would love to expand services, in quantity and quality.

But this can not be done without financial resources, any more than a car can run without gas.

It is therefore most upsetting that we have thousands of individuals who have not given anything to the UJA. And there is no shortage of excuses. The one that resonates most clearly is the affordability factor. Whilst fully appreciative of that, and without trivializing this concern, I would still argue that, barring dire circumstances, this should not be an issue. Even a token \$18, or even less if that is too much, is better than nothing, for it establishes a link of appreciation with the community.

But there are others excuses, that all fall

under the heading of complaints at the way the community is run, how one organization gets too little from the community funding, or another gets too much, etc.

We are not a perfect community, but we are a community trying to get better every day. And we need to appreciate that without UJA, we would not be the community that we are, and have no chance of becoming even better.

So, let's put away the gripes and focus on the big picture, on all that is good in our community, and express our appreciation for it by supporting the community

infrastructure.

So, if you have never benefited from the community, never had use of community clergy or the Chevra Kadisha, you or a family member or friend, never lost a pound at the SJCC, never gained a pound from kosher-supervised food, never had a child enjoy a community camp or school, never been inspired by a community program, never been enhanced by community social services, never had the slightest benefit from any community service, then give nothing.

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Ambassador believes peace is still possible

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countries like Canada, "the international community will be sick and tired of this exercise by the Palestinians and tell them in a very clear voice that enough is enough."

Baker would like to see Canada continue to take a leadership role in the UN. Canada, he believes, is acting out of genuine concern for the UN.

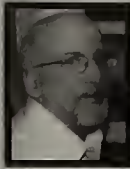
"We appreciate very much the fact that Canada is active in the UN, trying to reduce the amount of stupid anti-Israel resolutions that serve no useful purpose, other than to let the Arab States vent their incitement and hatred against Israel on behalf of the UN."

The ambassador plans to encourage Canada to use its influence with the Palestinians and Arab states to support the disengagement plan from Gaza.

Canada's involvement in improving the UN will trigger an even closer bi-lateral relationship between Israel and Canada. In the areas of trade and cultural, there is much work to be done.

"I would like to somehow bring about an enhancement of trade relations with Canada and to completely de-link this from any suspicion that there is any unstable political situation that could influence trade."

The ambassador was surprised to learn that the Canadian government announced a travel advisory to Israel the day he



Editor

Barry Fishman

arrived in Canada.

"It's not logical ... Canadians shouldn't feel there is a threat in coming to Israel."

He hopes to persuade more government senior officials, business people and tourists to visit Israel.

There is a huge potential for trade between the two countries, especially in the fields of agriculture, technology, irrigation and internal security.

"To our great regret, we have had to develop this [security] sphere to such an extent we are capable of exporting technological data and equipment that is very helpful for any country facing a potential terrorist threat."

There is another side of Israel that the ambassador would like Canada to know. Israeli musicians, artists, writers and filmmakers will be visiting and performing in Canada this year. In fact, plans are well under way for a much larger Israeli film festival to take place in Ottawa in June.

In the next few months, Baker will visit and reacquaint himself with the many

Jewish communities he had previously visited in his role as legal adviser to the Foreign Ministry.

Before he made aliyah, Baker was the leader of the Jewish students of Great Britain and was greatly involved in speaking on campus in support of Israel. His "natural inclination," he says, is to work with the Jewish student leadership by visiting the different universities and giving "them the tools they need to respond to the Palestinian, Arab and Muslim activities on the campuses."

"I still have the same kind of optimism I had when we signed the Oslo 2 agreement in 1995."

He is concerned about the rising anti-Semitism in Canada and has asked the consulates in Toronto and Montreal to prepare a report. He plans to work with the Jewish community in combatting the problem.

A message he has been delivering during Shabbat and High Holiday services is the reasoning behind the proposed disengagement from the Gaza strip.

"I want to make sure the Jewish com-

munity fully understands the reasoning behind this ... and want the whole community to go along with it." Israel, he says, needs our support and he urges Canadians to show their solidarity by visiting.

When he visited Ottawa in January 2002, Baker told the *Bulletin* the violence had become "a habit, a way of doing business" and "the potential for peace moves further and further away."

And yet, surprisingly, almost three years later, the veteran negotiator is still optimistic that, with a reasonable Palestinian leadership capable of exercising its authority and carrying out its obligations, there is still a good chance for peace.

"I still have the same kind of optimism that I had when we signed the Oslo 2 agreement in 1995, on erev Rosh Hashanah," he says.

However, Baker stresses, peace will be impossible unless the agreement he helped to draft is followed. It states that the two sides must undertake to encourage and educate their people in good neighbourly relations and end all forms of incitement. The Palestinian "mindset" that preaches hate and incitement and believes Israel should not exist must come to an end.

"It is not the issue of occupation or settlements. All these things are subject to negotiations. It's the basic mindset against Israel, the existence of Jews in the area. This is the cause."

Is the end of radical Islam near?

Early last month, a group of terrorists stormed a school in Beslan in Southern Russia, taking 1,200 children and adults hostage. The outrageous act was the latest in a string of attacks by what the media calls "insurgents" from the nearby Republic of Chechnya.

The hostage drama was Russia's fourth terrorist attack in the space of 10 days. It followed the crashes of two passenger planes that exploded in mid-air, killing 89 people, and suicide bomb attack near a Moscow subway station, killing 10 people.

The Beslan hostage incident came to a heart-rending end after three days. More than 330 people died – half of them children – and almost 750 others were maimed or injured, some critically. A number of children were killed when the terrorists fired bullets at them as they were fleeing the school when it burst into flames at the end of the drama.

Welcome to the latest round of global terrorism. Like other terrorist groups, the Chechnya terrorists deliberately targeted ordinary people, innocent small children and their parents, and had no misgivings about subjecting them to brutal treatment during their ordeal. As an editorial in the *Wall Street Journal* said, while the depravity of the school hostage taking is hard to



How I see it

Bob Dale

believe, it is today's new reality, where innocent people are specifically targeted.

In the face of such horror, who can offer any shred of justification? Yet, as supporters of Israel readily know, that is precisely what has happened in the wake of every terrorist event the world has seen in recent years.

Terrorism is viewed, by its supporters, as a political act, intended to draw sympathetic attention to a cause: Russia's occupation of Chechnya, Australia and Spain's support of the American incursion into Iraq, or Israel's desire to live in peace as a Jewish State on land claimed by much of the Arab world as theirs. And let's be upfront about it: while not all Muslims are terrorists, the majority of today's terrorists, in Chechnya and other places, are Muslim.

Some leading Muslim intellectuals finally seem to be waking up to this indisputable fact. Among them is Ahmed Bahgat, an Egyptian Islamist. Writing in the pro-gov-

ernment newspaper, *Al-Ahram*, he said hostage-takers in Russia and Iraq are only harming Islam. According to him, "if all the enemies of Islam united and decided to harm it ... they wouldn't have ruined and harmed its image as much as the sons of Islam have done by their stupidity, miscalculations and misunderstanding."

Or consider what columnist Suleiman Al-Hatlan recently wrote in the Saudi government daily *Al-Watan*:

"If the 'heroes' of the Muslim violence and terrorism do not represent true Islam, then who does represent it? The painful truth is that the acts of violence and barbarism occurring at present are nothing but the natural consequence of generations of Muslims having been misled and force-fed speeches [filled with] hostility and hatred for others over the course of decades, which deepened the backwardness and the ignorance in the Islamic world."

"There is no nation on the face of the earth that has not had to deal with oppression and war, but these nations have known how to defend their rights through the use of logic and knowledge ... while in our Islamic world the voices of ignorance continue in their plans to develop the ignorance and backwardness so that backwardness, degeneracy, and lack of direction will

reign even more [than they do now]."

This is a war of ideas that can only be won if the widespread ideological support for terrorism in the Muslim world can be transformed into widespread condemnation. Is such a transformation possible?

It won't be easy. According to George Haddad, writing in the Jordanian government daily *Al-Dustour*, some of the Chechen factions received assistance "from Jewish oligarchs from the fields of finance, communications, and oil ... the owners of the corporations and billions which were stolen from the Russian people."

Despite that negative note, remember that fascism was once fashionable, not only in Germany, but also among certain elites in other western countries, including Canada. That ended (at least among most people) when Germany was defeated in the Second World War. Communism was also fashionable, but that ended with the collapse of the Soviet Empire.

The ideology we must now deal with is the legitimization of terrorism by radical Islamic groups, in the pursuit of whatever cause they feel is worth pursuing. Given our victory over fascism and communism, maybe it's also possible to look forward to the decline and defeat of radical Islam as well. I certainly hope so.

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Gerry Koffman fondly remembered

By Katy Peplinskie
On September 15, Gerry Koffman, a past executive director of Vaad Ha'ir, loving husband of Rachelle, and devoted father of Joshua and Jodi, lost his struggle with cancer.

Koffman embodied all that is *Yiddishkeit* through his commitment to community and Israel, his professional leadership, and his love of life. He was always passionate about Jewish education, starting Students for Educational Equality and Democracy (SEED) when he was only 16, and continuing to advocate for this cause throughout his life.

Dr. Bernard Dolansky, president of the Vaad during Koffman's term, says the Ottawa Jewish community "appreciated the warm, friendly approach that Gerry ... brought to his position and to our community."



Former Vaad
Executive Director
Gerry Koffman

Dolansky adds that things "changed for the better during the years Gerry was with us."

Koffman served as executive director of the Vaad Ha'ir from July 1988 to July 1993.

Those wishing to honour Koffman may make contributions to the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba. Please call (204-477-7520) for more information.

— With files from the
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Mailbag

Only one Orthodox Day School needed

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter as a concerned parent in Ottawa. The Orthodox Jewish Day Schools have been divided for a number of years along ideological lines. I believe that as a matter of policy this is wrong and that we were better off with one united Torah Day School.

Our children are growing up in two solitudes and somehow are looking at each camp as the enemy, in a subtle way.

When we had one school, our children learned and played together and became lifelong friends, who respected each others ways.

The educational agenda has been hijacked by so-called experts who happen to be hardcore ideologues.

It would be far better for the community to unite the two schools. This would promote a much stronger feeling of Ahavat Yisrael (love for your fellow Jew) and Achidut Yisrael (unity of the Jewish community).

Those who are totally opposed, should, perhaps, examine thoroughly their own motives, and determine if their path is a path that promotes peace, unity, and Shalom in the community.

Our children and the rest of the community and world are taking their cue from us — can we meet the challenge?

Joseph Caytak, MD CCFP (EM)

Letters welcome

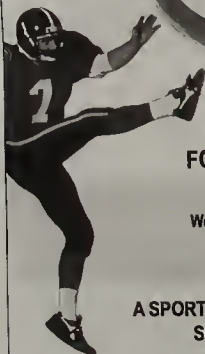
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Pirkei Avot: the wisdom of our sages

Pirkei Avos 2:18

... Do Not Judge Yourself to Be a Wicked Person

By Rabbi Zischa Shaps

One might wonder why the Mishnah needs to teach me this. It would seem that we all want to consider ourselves as good upstanding individuals. Many of us rationalize our behaviour to the point that we consider ourselves good even when we do something that is not right. So why does the Mishnah need to tell me not to look at myself as wicked?

Rambam explains that a person generally lives up to his own image of himself. The more you consider yourself as a good and

righteous person, the more likely you are to act that way. However, the reverse is true as well. The lower your self-image the easier it is for you to act in an inappropriate manner. If a person thinks, "I am a bad person," then he will say why shouldn't I do this evil thing, after all I am no good anyway. A person may be subconsciously tempted to think badly of himself in order to excuse his behaviour. Therefore the Mishnah says, don't let yourself fall into this trap. Recognize and nurture your positive traits so that all your actions will reflect your positive self-image.

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With Alan Dershowitz delivering the keynote address, Stephen Victor in place as Dinner Chair, and Mayor Bob Chiarelli serving as Honourary Chair, the 2004 Negev Dinner is shaping up to be everything we envisioned.

I am pleased to announce that David W. Scott, Q.C. has agreed to join this Dream Team as Emcee of the evening. The respected Ottawa lawyer, a past President of the County Carleton Law Association, is currently President of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He is the first Canadian to hold this position. We are thrilled to have him on board.

The Kick Off was Upbeat...

Mayor Bob Chiarelli hosted the cocktail reception kicking off the 2004 Negev Dinner Campaign at Ottawa City Hall in mid-September. Guests nibbled happily on an array of superb hors d'oeuvres prepared by Creative Kosher Catering, and heard short addresses from incoming Israeli Ambassador to Canada, His Excellency Alan Baker, Mayor Chiarelli, Dinner Chair Stephen Victor, and Yours Truly. We're officially on our way!

The Project is Exciting...

The 2004 Negev Dinner will support the Ottawa Recreation and Picnic Area in the 6250 acre Lahav Forest. This much-needed project will provide the residents of Beersheva, capital of the Negev Desert, as well as residents of nearby towns and villages, with a cool green respite from the unrelenting desert sun.

The Ottawa Recreation and Picnic Area will be completely accessible to and user friendly for children and adults who are physically challenged. Families with mobility challenged members will be able to enjoy this picturesque outdoor setting without having to struggle with the usual obstacles of forests and park areas.

The Lahav Forest is regarded as a refreshing regional 'green lung' for leisure time activities for all the residents of the area. It joins the multitude of JNF's forests in Israel that have become so instrumental and important in the life of Israel's citizens.

There are several ways in which people can choose to support the Ottawa Recreation and Picnic Area project. All donations are fully tax-deductible and can be paid with Israel Bonds. An appreciation/kovod will be shown to each donor.

Where to get Tickets...

The 2004 Negev Dinner takes place on Monday, November 15, 6:00 p.m., at the Westin Hotel. Tickets can be obtained by calling Ticket Chair Jill Stern at 728-4443 or the JNF office, 798-2411.

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"It's better than watching TV"

A retired couple fills their golden years with volunteer work

By Katy Peplinskie

Joan and Sam Shrier have a warm and welcoming home. Family photos adorn the walls; two cats nap on the floor, soaking up the sun; and the smell of home cooking wafts from the kitchen. There's also a floral-patterned couch leaning against the wall, partially blocking the doorway.

"We're waiting for it to be picked up," explains Sam, apologetically, gesturing toward the sofa. "It's a donation for an immigrant family."

This situation is nothing new to the Shriers; they constantly have donations flooding their home which they distribute to the less-fortunate. At an age when most people are starting to wind down, Joan and Sam's days are filled with volunteer work.

Sixty-nine-year-old Joan works for Centre 454, a drop-in shelter. She can be found at the main desk, every Monday, answering the phone, welcoming guests, and making sure everything runs smoothly.

"The police often need to be called to the centre to break up fights," she says. "Some people who go there are just out of jail!"

While the atmosphere of the centre might scare off the faint of heart, Joan doesn't mind. She says her main concern is making sure the disadvantaged have a "safe place to go." It also helps that she genuinely enjoys the visitors.

"I find it amazing that they've had such hard lives yet they keep going," she says. "It's inspirational."

Joan also works on a

Temple Israel committee helping immigrants. She finds them furniture, clothing, and anything else they might need to start their lives over in Canada. She also provides them with companionship.

As well, Joan has started a Chanukah clothing drive at the Temple to which over 400 winter coats have been donated.

The United Way also enjoys Joan's services - she works on the help lines at its Distress Centre, and does speaking engagements for them.

"I only wish there were more days in a week so I could do more," she says.

Her husband, to whom she's been married 50 years, is equally involved in the community.

Seventy-eight-year-old Sam is most excited about his work with Tamir, which he's been doing for the last six years. One of his favorite jobs is taking the Tamir residents swimming.

"Donald Hymes wouldn't even go in the water until I came," Sam beams, affectionately pointing to a photograph of him. "Now he loves the pool."

Sam also helps at the Abbotsford Retirement Home, Ottawa's Kosher Food Bank, Kosher Meals on Wheels, and a charity bingo.

"He's like a gopher," says Joan. "He's always running around delivering goods, and doing anything he can to help out."

When asked why he gives his time so generously, Sam replies, "it's a lot better than sitting in front of the

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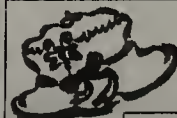
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Travelling to Israel for the first time with my husband and two sons, and our extended family, the Ottawa Jewish community, was an experience that none of us will ever forget. Every day was filled with the most amazing opportunities to tour the country and most importantly to meet some of the people living in Israel.

– Laurie Shusterman

Of all the trips we have ever taken, the UJA Mission was the most moving and meaningful one ever. The Israelis we met are truly inspirational, working to make Israel and the world a better place in which to live. Rochelle and I would highly recommend a UJA Mission to everyone.

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In mid-October, the Jewish Learning Institute (JLI) launches its third year in Ottawa. Local participants attending JLI courses will be joining a community of Jewish learning that stretches across the globe. With thirty new sites this year, bringing the total number of JLI chapters to 115 worldwide, the Jewish Learning Institute expects to enrol over 20,000 students during the coming academic year.

In preparation for the new courses, JLI held its fourth annual conference in August in East Hanover, NJ. The two-day symposium attracted more than 130 directors and instructors from across North America and around the world, including Ottawa's JLI instructor Rabbi Menachem M. Blum.

The conference featured time for JLI instructors and co-ordinators to share meaningful time with colleagues in text analysis and study, as they focused on the specific business of readying the presentation of three new eight-week courses.

Panel discussions led by course authors and editors, breakout sessions with one-on-one learning and small group discussion, and round-table forums all kept the excitement intense.

According to Rabbi



Blum, director of Ottawa's local JLI chapter, "This conference was another major step in establishing the JLI as the premier institution of adult Jewish learning today."

The Jewish Learning Institute was established in 1998 in order to develop cutting-edge adult education for today's sophisticated and searching Jew. Rabbis, acad-

emics and lay people from around the world have pooled their strengths and dedication to assure the kind of experience that will educate and inspire an ever-increasing commitment to Jewish learning and practice.

The next course *Biblical Reflections: Finding your self in the stories of Genesis* starts October 26, 2004 at SJCC, 8:00-9:30 pm. The universal figures in the Book of Genesis provide profound lessons for the human experience that transcend time and culture.

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Arts Alive explores Jewish escapes and journeys

By Maxine Miska

Contemporary Jewish literature provides a map of the Jewish people's miraculous escapes from persecution, their travails and dislocations, and the havens we cling to both biblical and new world. The Soloway JCC will explore this theme, *Escapes and Journeys* during Arts Alive 2004.

On November 13 and 14, the annual book and Chanukah gift fair will be held at the Soloway JCC.

The gymnasium will be packed with tables of Chanukah presents, candles, and chanukiot. There will be overflowing tables of Jewish books, CDs and computer software, as well as local artists displaying their works.

During the afternoon of November 14, various authors will discuss their new books. Highlights include Mervin Butovsky speaking about *The Journals of Yaacov Zipper, 1950-1982: The Struggle for Yiddishkeit*; Toronto children's author Kathy Kacer introducing her new book *The Underground Reporters: A True Story*; and Israeli-born author Avner Mandelman reading from his new collection of short stories *Cuckoo*.

The journals of Montreal writer and community activist, Yaacov Zipper provide an intimate portrait of Montreal's post-war years and the transition of the Jewish community from a Yiddish-speaking immigrant population along "the Main" to a more assimilated middle-class community in the western reaches of the city.

After Yaacov Zipper died at the age of 83, his diaries were discovered and translated from Yiddish by Professor Mervin Butovsky and Ode Garfinkle.

Toronto children's author Kathy Kacer, who wrote *The Secret of Gabi's Dresser* and *The Night Spies*, will read from her new book *The Underground Reporters: A True Story*.

Kacer's work of non-fiction recounts how a group of Jewish youths in a small Czech village created a secret newspaper as a gesture of defiance against persecution by the Nazis and collaborators. The children were deported to the Terezin concentration camp, but one of the contributors survived as did copies of the newspaper.

A former psychologist who worked with troubled teens, Kacer writes and speaks about the importance of understanding the Holocaust.

Avner Mandelman is one year older than the state of Israel. From 1965 to 1968, a time which included the seminal Six Day War, he served in the Israeli Air Force. Many of his short stories, written in English, concern life in Israel.

In 1973, he emigrated to Canada and worked on Bay Street for 14 years. He now combines a career as a freelance stock analyst with writing fiction.

Mandelman's stories have been widely published throughout Israel and North America, appearing in both *Best American Short Stories* and the Pushcart Prize

Arts Alive takes place Saturday and Sunday, November 13 and 14

anthology. His previous collection, *Talking to the Enemy*, won the Jewish Book Award for fiction.

During the month of November, the Soloway JCC

will also host various author talks, lectures and films in honour of Jewish Book Month.

On November 10, Jill Culliner will speak about her quest to understand her grandfather's journey by foot through Europe, which resulted in her writing *Finding Home: in the Footsteps of the Jewish Fusgeyers*, the story of groups of Romanian Jews who walked across Europe to reach western seaports for passage to the New

World. (*Fusgeyer* means "wayfarer" in Yiddish.)

On November 21, military historian Byran Mark Rigg will discuss with forthcoming book, *Rescued from the Reich: How One of Hitler's Soldiers Saved the Lubavitcher Rebbe*.

As a graduate student in Germany, Rigg discovered that a portion of the soldiers in the Reich were technically Jewish according to Nazi race laws, but nevertheless were allowed to continue as

Nazi officers because of their rank and skill. He subsequently wrote *Hitler's Jewish Soldiers: The Untold Story of Nazi Racial Laws and Men of Jewish Descent in the German Military*. Rigg continues this counterintuitive association in his meticulous history of how a collaboration between American officials (including Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis) and German military intelligence enabled Rebbe Joseph Schneersohn to reach safety.

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Contract Bridge players are invited to take part in a grand slam event complete with lunch followed by an afternoon of bridge when AJA 50+ hosts its Bridge Fundraiser on Thursday, October 21, 12:00 noon, at the Ottawa Bridge Centre, 717 Belfast Road, second floor.

"The afternoon includes door prizes and, of course, prizes for the first and second place winners," said Doris Bronstein, chair of the event.

"Participants are invited to register individually, with a partner or to make their own table."

Tickets are \$36 each. A \$25 tax receipt will be issued.

Space is limited. To confirm your spot or table, make out a cheque payable AJA 50+ and send it to Flo Morgan, 59 Beaver Ridge, Ottawa K2E 6E2.

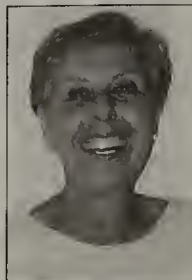
For bridge information, call Doris Bronstein (789-1581).

AJA 50+ (Active Jewish Adults 50+) is a not-for-profit, volunteer-led organization whose 550 plus

members enjoy a wide range of cultural, recreational, fitness and health-related programming geared to meet the needs of the 50+ Jewish population living in Ottawa.

Successful fundraising allows AJA 50+ to maintain its low annual membership rate, assist with transportation for seniors and provide subsidies as needed.

For membership information contact Rhoda Zaitlin (829-2634).



Doris Bronstein,
event chair

Shriers: active volunteers

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TV; besides, I stay out of my wife's hair this way."

On a more serious note, Sam adds that people tend to shy away from those who are "different," but he wishes they'd realize that, often, "they're the nicest people ever – they'd give you the shirt off their back."

Joan has been an active volunteer since she was 12. Growing up in Orillia, she collected money for the blind and taught swimming lessons.

She continued her charity work into college, when she served as director of volunteers at Montreal's Douglas Hospital, and helped establish the first palliative care unit in a psychiatric hospital.

Sam started his volunteer work a bit later in life.

Growing up with author Mordechai Richler in what he fondly calls the "Montreal Ghetto," Sam was struggling just to get by, himself. As a teenager, he joined the navy, fought in the Second World War, and was present at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II while serving on the HMCS *Magnificent*.

Then, in the 1950s, he began coaching a basketball camp for the physically challenged. "Many people

on the team were vets from the War," Sam says.

Ever since, he's been extremely active in the community, especially since moving to Ottawa with Joan eight years ago to be closer to their daughters.

"People sometimes say to me, 'it's great that you're so involved,'" says Sam. "To that, I reply, 'you can be involved, too – what else are you doing that's more important?'"



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End the Syrian occupation of Lebanon

By Alan M. Dershowitz

When is the last time you heard about a demonstration on a university campus calling for the end of the Syrian occupation of Lebanon? How about never?

Syria has been occupying Lebanon by force of arms for more than 20 years. Its 20,000 foreign soldiers and hundreds of "intelligence officers" rule that Muslim-Christian nation with an iron fist.

No longer a democratic state – as it was for decades under joint Christian-Muslim leadership – Lebanon has become a terrorist state in which Hezbollah and other terrorist groups have a free hand to operate against Israeli and American civilians.

Syria and its surrogate terrorist groups sternly

enforce the occupation with executions, assassinations, kidnappings, threats and military actions, while at the same time publicly denying that there is an occupation.

"An occupation suggests images of daily violence and hatred of the occupiers, which does not occur in Lebanon," claims an official Syrian statement.

That self-serving fabrication could have been issued by the Soviet Union when it denied it was occupying Czechoslovakia. Some occupations are enforced so ruthlessly that no public dissent or displays of hatred are tolerated.

The Syrians claim they were "invited" into Lebanon and have never been asked to leave, despite public opinion polls (which are anonymous) showing widespread opposition to their presence and improper influence on what remains of Lebanese politics.

Yet those who shed crocodile tears for the Palestinians – whose leaders turned down statehood and the end of occupation of Gaza and some 96 per cent of the West Bank in 2000-2001 – remain silent over the Syrian occupation of Lebanon. Some, including the Palestinian leadership, even support it.

This should not be surprising because many of those same hypocrites also support the continuing occupation of Kurdistan by Turkey, Iraq and Syria, as well as the continuing occupation of Tibet by China.

Nor did they complain when the West Bank was



Alan M. Dershowitz

occupied for nearly two decades by Jordan and the Gaza Strip by Egypt. It is not occupation they oppose; it is Israel they oppose.

They apply a double standard, singling out for condemnation only the Jewish state that offered to end its occupation in exchange for a peace that the Palestinian leadership refuses to accept so long as the Jewish state remains in existence.

Now the Syrians may have overplayed their hand. (You can always tell when an Arab state overplays its hand by whether even the French are prepared to criticize it.) The Syrian occupiers fixed the presidential election in Lebanon by forcing parliament to amend the Lebanese constitution to give the Syrian hand-picked incumbent three more years in office.

The hasty vote was arranged after Prime Minister Rafiq al-Hariri, who had opposed the amendment, received a late-night visit from Syrian intelligence officers who "persuaded" him to change his mind. It was an offer he couldn't refuse.

The amendment then

passed by a 96-29 vote, despite the fact that 74 per cent of Lebanese citizens wanted a new president and 84 per cent believed that "foreign and outside parties" – namely Syria – "dictated the results of presidential elections."

Now even the United Nations has become a bit nervous over Syria's high-handedness. Syria quickly complained, arguing that any UN action – or even discussion – would constitute external interference with Lebanon's internal affairs.

This is the way Syria's deputy chief of mission put it: "The Security Council's discussion of the presidential elections of Lebanon, a sovereign, independent member state of the United Nations, constitutes an illegal intervention into the internal affairs of a state."

Talk about chutzpah. Syria, which has done nothing but interfere with Lebanon's internal affairs for 20 years, is now complaining about efforts by the UN to end Syria's occupation and restore Lebanese sovereignty.

Let those who oppose occupations work against all occupations. Selective opposition to only one occupation should have no credibility.

I have long opposed Israel's continuing occupation of the Gaza Strip and West Bank. I oppose the other occupations as well. The difference is that Israel is in the process of ending its occupation of Gaza, and has offered to end the occupation of nearly all of the West Bank in exchange for peace.

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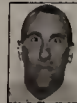
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Ganon Preschool learns about Rosh Hashanah

SJCC Ganon Preschool students learn about Rosh Hashanah from Cantor Daniel Benlolo. (OJB Photo: Barry Fishman)

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The Diary of Anne Frank

Busy Ottawa native Jennifer Waiser stars as Anne in the Toronto Bathurst Street Theatre production of *The Diary of Anne Frank* October 1 to November 7.

Tickets are available by calling TicketKing (416-872-1212). The theatre is located at 736 Bathurst Street, one block south of Bloor.

Waiser, a graduate of Canterbury High School and the theatre program of Ryerson University recently starred as Little Sally in the Toronto production of *Urine-*



town. Other professional credits include roles in *Jane Eyre*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Patience*, *Peter Pan*, *Evita*, *Big River* and the Buddy Holly Story.

(Photo: Anita Stojic)

Ottawa Business Journal CEO of the year

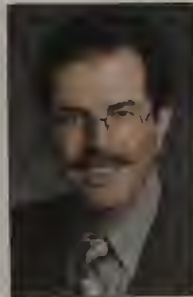
Congratulations to Roger Greenberg, the Ottawa Business Journal (OBJ) CEO of the year. Greenberg, the CEO of Minto, will be honoured at a gala at Brookstreet Hotel on Tuesday, October 26.

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Happy 90th birthday!

In celebration of Rose Kalman's 90th birthday, a luncheon was held in Montreal. Pictured with Rose are (from left to right): Diane Wexler, Freda Lithwick, Dora Wolfe, Zelma Palef, Rose Kalman and Bea Greenberg.

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1964 sod-turning ceremony for Wurtemberg Street Hillel Lodge (from left to right): Abraham Shaffer (treasurer), Hyman Bessin, Gilbert Greenberg, Sidney Lithwick (architect), Mayor Charlotte Witton and Dora Lithwick (turning sod), J.C. Horwitz, Bert Lawrence (government of Ontario), Isaac Beiles and Helen Beiles (president of Ladies Auxiliary of Hillel Lodge).

(Photo: Apex photos; courtesy of the Ottawa Jewish Archives)

Remembering our past:

The early years of Hillel Lodge

By Stephen
Schneiderman

In June 2005, Hillel will host its 50th Annual General Meeting. This article, explaining how it all began, is taken in part from excerpts of a column written in the mid 1980s by then retired journalist, Ben Dworkin, titled 'Plus 60' in the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin*.

The Ottawa Jewish Home for the Aged, otherwise known as Hillel Lodge, was a "grass-roots movement" founded by concerned members of the Ottawa Jewish community who sought to establish a Home for the accommodation of the Jewish elderly.

Some say that the Lodge really got its start as a result of an informal meeting "over tea" between Mrs. Abraham (Dora) Lithwick and Judge, J.C. 'Jacie' Horwitz, Q.C. in the early 50s.

It was a lifelong dream of Lithwick, shared by her family, that Ottawa should have a home of its own for the elderly of the community. Judge Horwitz was highly enthused

and started "putting the wheels in motion."

Their first hurdle was to establish a base and develop a membership drive for an almost unknown and unpublicized cause.

Heading a small team of Ottawa men and women, Lithwick and Horwitz were successful in rallying more than 1,500 members to the cause, with fees ranging from \$5 to \$25. It was not big money at this point. Their objective was to gather and inspire people – with a passionate dedication for the cause.

The first public meeting was in 1954. It was not until a year later that an application was made to form a profit-free corporation, which would lead to tax deduction for donations.

1955 was the official beginning and the first annual general meeting.

In 1957, the Lodge received its letters patent from the Ontario government to operate a charitable home for the aged.

In theory, Hillel Lodge

was in business. Then came the first steps towards making a dream come true.

Few are aware that the first site purchased for the home was in Britannia, way out in the "country," as open space for the elderly was the concept at that time.

This did not prove practical. The land in Britannia was sold to the National Capital Commission at a profit, and property, complete with an unwanted house was purchased at the Wurtemberg Avenue site (where the Home remained until 2000).

Then, what turned out to be a fortunate accident occurred. Vandals set fire to the building.

Horowitz was quoted as saying, "The insurance money turned out to be a real windfall. It wasn't much, but we needed every dollar we could get our hands on in those days."

In the beginning, the organized community and the top leadership were less than enthusiastic about building a Home. It was not until 1960

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The Ottawa Klezmer Band to perform at NAC, Nov 10

The Ottawa Klezmer Band returns to The Fourth Stage of the National Arts Centre Wednesday, November 10 at 7:30 pm.

This year's program will include perennial favourites, lively, upbeat klezmer material, evocative Yiddish theatre songs, and material to reflect Holocaust Education Week (November 8-12), the annual commemoration of Kristallnacht (November 9), and Remembrance Day (November 11).

Special guest artists may include First Nations musicians in solo and joint ensemble material:

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Floralove Katz is lead singer and founder of The Ottawa Klezmer Band, which will perform on November 10 at the NAC.

private functions.

Floralove Katz founded The Ottawa Klezmer Band 15 years ago, sings lead

vocals and plays cello. She has also performed for many years with Opera Lyra Ottawa and with the Ottawa

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On double bass and fiddle, Sol Gunner is one of the region's busiest and loved musicians. Percussionist Don Laver is a former member and featured vocal soloist and drummer with the RCAF Central Band.

Pianist/accordionist Natasha Guiller is a charter member of The Ottawa Klezmer Band and accompanist on local stages. The upcoming concerts will also feature the remarkable father-daughter accordion duo of Natasha and Itzhak Nayvelt.

This year, clarinetist David Renaud, well known to Ottawa audiences for his Dr. Jazz band, joins the group.

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Grassroots movement sought to establish Home for Jewish elderly

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that they authorized a community-wide campaign.

The first campaign for funds was a grass roots affair in every sense of the word. From the onset Lithwick and Horowitz were joined by the ladies auxiliary and a legion of volunteers. These volunteers spent countless hours and a great deal of shoe

leather making calls and going door-to-door to convert the dream of a Home into a reality.

Many of the donors were not among the well-to-do and were not generally predisposed to being overly generous to community causes. However, the money did come in – barely enough to get started. It was not until a

couple of years later that the Lodge reached the priority list among local charities.

After pressure was applied, both political and otherwise, the province approved a grant of \$2,500 a bed for the two-storey 29-bed Hillel Lodge. The grant helped provide care for strictly ambulatory residents.

There was strong opposition from the Lodge's Wurttemberg's neighbour the Turkish Embassy. Fortunately, fabled Mayor Charlotte Whitton was determined not to let an embassy stand in the way of a local project. The Lodge had a home.

Architect Sidney Lithwick drew up the plans for a two-storey structure, designed for future expansion – which turned out to be proof of practical foresight.

Thus it was on October 10, 1965, the Lodge opened its doors for the 29-bed home for the ambulatory.

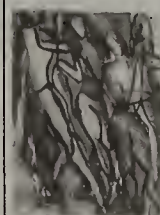
The first group of residents were mostly in their 70's and in the beginning, the Lodge was more of a retirement home.

However, as the residence advanced in years, they required greater physical care. The program focus was changed to include significantly more nursing and medical care.

In 1972, Hillel was approved by the province as the Ontario Extended Care Program providing operational funding for additional medical and physical assistance for 19 beds.

Two more beds were added to the Extended Care Program in 1983. A third floor was added in 1973 with 19 beds bringing the total to 48 beds.

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Eat more so I can lose weight

I have a confession. I am trying to lose weight. I seem to have gained about 100 and some odd pounds without noticing it. Well, O.K. I did sort of take a hint when I had to hold my breath to put my pants on. Everyone I met that day told me I was looking red

in the face. I just smiled. Couldn't say anything without taking a breath and exploding.

I looked down and couldn't seem to see my feet. Felt a bit of vertigo because, you know, if you can't see your feet, how do you know they

are there? Fortunately I took a step forward and one foot emerged at the end of my leg stretched forward. What a relief.

Well this was an eye-opener. I became obsessed. Did anyone else notice? Hmm, perhaps that is what

my wife meant when, on seeing me lying on the couch, she commented that I looked like a beached whale. Maybe my daughter was hinting at something similar when she started to call me "Fatty Lumpkin" as a term of endearment.

But when I got out of breath when trying to reach the bread on the top shelf, that was the last straw, or the wheat that broke the camel's back. Actually, I think I was sitting on the camel at the time. Very disconcerting. Yet it was a call to action.

No more bread for dessert. No more bread for snack. No more bread as an appetizer. Did I mention that I ate a lot of bread? As a Polish Jew, this was a habit worse than heroin. I have been shooting up on bread dough and pasta since I was a little boy.

But it wasn't just the bread. I had to eat enough food to make sure there was nothing left.

"They are starving in India and you don't want to eat?" I did my bit to help the people in India and ate my food - and everybody else's. "Look at all the leftovers. It's a sin to throw out good food. Are you sure you couldn't eat



Humour me, please

Rubin Friedman

more?" I have a compulsion not to leave food on a plate and not to throw it out. In our family, it has become known that if someone doesn't finish a meal, "maybe Daddy will eat it." When I went to all you can eat buffets I tended to bankrupt the restaurant.

I recalled that when I was swimming, running, playing basketball, folk dancing and biking, my size was not too excessive. Now that my activities have changed to watching T.V., lying on the couch, sitting at the computer and singing, I seem to have gained all that weight. Could there be a connection?

So here's my plan. The existence of uneaten food in the world will no longer be my personal responsibility. I will eat less bread. I will consume less food. I will exercise more.

So far, I have lost 30 pounds. According to one of the basic laws of nature, one which I discovered, this weight is not really lost. When I was younger I

noticed that every time I gained weight, my friend in Toronto would lose it and every time I lost weight he would gain. This led to my revolutionary discovery of the law of conservation of weight. There is someone in the world who has gained the twenty pounds that I lost. The main thing is not to get distracted from my goal.

By the way, are you going to eat the rest of your muffin? I have a coffee and it seems a tragedy to let good food go to waste. So do me a favour. Don't give it to me. Eat it yourself and gain some pounds that I can then lose.

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Stay true to yourself and your upbringing

Sooner or later, all children face the challenge of staying true to themselves and their upbringing, or deviating to fit in with a specific group of kids. For young immigrants to North America and the children of immigrants, this challenge occurs frequently and is as likely to come from Jews as non-Jews.

Rosie in Chicago: Play Ball
By Carol Matas
Aladdin Paperbacks 2003
126 pps. Ages 8 to 12

Rosie in Chicago: Play Ball is the second book in Carol Matas's historical fiction series starring Rosie and her family. As Matas says in "A Note to My Reader," she develops this book around baseball because she, like many others, considers baseball "a metaphor for life and lessons are always there for learning."

Having moved from New York to Chicago so that Papa could expand his nickelodeon business, Rosie is unhappy. She is snubbed by Hannah, the leader of the Jewish girls at school; she makes no friends over the summer; and being a girl, she is excluded from joining a baseball team, even though she's a terrific player.

All this changes swiftly when her brother Abe asks Rosie to disguise herself as a boy and fill in for the injured star player on his baseball team, the Chaverim, as they go up against the Tigers. Both teams play in the Jewish boys' league but they echo the arch rivalry of the older German Jewish immigration (the Tigers) versus the newer East European Jewish immigration (the Chaverim).

The remainder of the story is Rosie's dramatic play-by-play description of that baseball game along with the attitudes and happenings surrounding it. The Chaverim's



Kid Lit

Deanna Silverman

Coach Kobrinsky is more Yeshiva teacher than sports coach. His players, especially Rosie, "the cousin from New York" have to think about how his philosophical advice applies to baseball.

Hostility, tension, humour, and lessons in life fill the air as the teams jeer each other, the Tiger first baseman threatens Rosie, and the hated Hannah flirts with the New York cousin. Meanwhile Rosie's father is using a bought, but unlicensed, movie camera to film the game, a reality that has its own sub-plot.

Rosie in Chicago: Play Ball is peopled with colourful characters and a believable ethical climax, thanks to Coach Kobrinsky. It's a lot of fun and it's ending prepares us for the next book in the series, *Rosie in Los Angeles: Action!*

Just Call Me Joe
By Frieda Wishinsky
Orca Book Publishers 2004
128 pps. Ages 7 to 11

Born in Germany, raised in New York City and living in Canada, author Frieda Wishinsky knows first hand the many challenges facing immigrant children and the mixed emotions those challenges evoke.

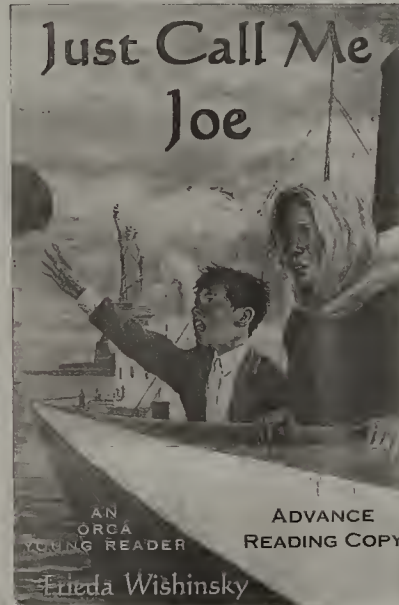
In *Just Call Me Joe*, she uses the memory of these feelings and her experience of New York to depict the problems encountered by Joseph, a bright 10-year-old, and his 17-year-old sister, Anna, as they arrive in New York City in 1909 to live with Papa's poor, childless, widowed sister.

Imagine how you'd feel as a 10-year-old being placed in Grade 1 with the "babies" so you can learn to read and write English. Wouldn't skipping school with Sam and his friends to play and explore New York be more appealing? So what if that means cheating, stealing, and lying.

After all, these are the street kids who let you play ball with them when your only friend at school is a hero-worshipping "baby." But if Sam is a real friend, why does he run away when the bigger boys take you on? What would Papa say about all this? No, that's not the question. Joseph knows full well what Papa, Anna, and Aunt Sophie would say.

The question is what will Joseph do? Will he succumb to temptation, or will he and his homesick sister adapt to this bittersweet new environment? Wishinsky skillfully plays with these dilemmas while simultaneously conveying the sights, sounds and smells that underline the numerous changes in Joe and Anna's lives. Very well done!

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Food lovers should avoid bitter females

The bitter females I refer to in this week's column are not spurned lovers but eggplants. Apparently there are male and female eggplants. Males have fewer seeds and are less likely to be bitter than female eggplants. Who knew?

Now the big question is, how can you tell the males from the females? If you look on the bottom of the eggplant you will find clues. The female eggplant has a small indentation

on the bottom that sort of looks like a belly button. The female has many seeds inside. The bottom of the male eggplant has a much shallower indentation and in some cases it may be almost flat. It looks more like a scar than a belly button. The male has fewer seeds inside.

There is not much neutral ground when it comes to eggplant. It is one of those foods that people either love or hate. I firmly believe that eggplant haters have just never had it prepared properly. Poorly prepared eggplant is either tough and bitter or soggy, oily and tasteless. Well prepared eggplant is firm and meaty with a nutty rich flavour. The key to great eggplant is salting. Salting draws out the excess moisture, resulting in firmer and less bitter eggplant.

Grilled Eggplant Rounds with Sweet Chile Sauce

This recipe is from Chris Schlesinger's book, *License to Grill* (William Morrow & Co., 1997). It never fails to convert eggplant haters into huge fans.

I learned the procedure for salting, rinsing and pressing the eggplant from the July 1993 issue of *Cook's Magazine*.

- 2 tablespoons sesame oil
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 teaspoon minced ginger
- 1/2 cup fresh lime juice (about 4 limes)
- 2 tablespoons catsup
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons finely minced jalapeno pepper
- 2 medium eggplants, peeled and cut into rounds about 1 inch thick
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 8 green onions (white and green parts), thinly sliced on the diagonal
- 1 1/2 tablespoons ground coriander
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes (or more, if you like it really spicy)

Place eggplant slices in a large colander, sprinkle with salt and toss. Place colander over a bowl and let eggplant

stand for at least 1 1/2 hours, stirring it a couple of times.

Rinse eggplant under cold running water, rubbing the slices lightly to remove all the salt. Shake colander to drain. Lay eggplant slices on a triple thickness of paper towels; cover with another triple layer of towel and using your palms, press each slice firmly until it feels firm and leathery when pressed between your fingertips.

While eggplant is being salted, make the sauce. In a medium saucepan, heat the sesame oil over medium heat until hot but not smoking. Add the garlic and ginger and sauté, stirring occasionally, for 3 minutes. Add the lime juice, catsup, brown sugar, and jalapeno and bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring once in a while, for 20 minutes, or until the sauce is thick enough to coat the back of a spoon. Remove from the heat and set aside.

Put the salted and pressed eggplant into a bowl along with the oil and black pepper, and toss to coat. Grill eggplant over a medium heat and cook until well browned and soft, about 4-5 minutes per side. Cut into the eggplant and check to be sure the inside looks moist (raw eggplant is dry, cooked is moist). Brush the eggplant on both sides with the chile sauce and grill for about 10 seconds per side. Remove eggplant from grill to a serving platter. Sprinkle with green onions and red pepper flakes and serve warm.

The Best Baba Ghanoush

Most people do not like this dip of pureed eggplant. No small wonder considering that what is usually served masquerading as baba ghanoush is a bowl of unappetizing grey, watery and bitter eggplant puree. This recipe comes from the July 2001 issue of *Cook's Magazine*. The secret is to grill the eggplants, rather than bake. Grilling imparts a wonderful smoky flavour to the dish.

This dip is best served the day it is made. If you are making ahead of time, take it out of the fridge about 20 minutes before serving as it tastes best only lightly chilled.

- 2 pounds eggplant (about 2 large globe eggplants)
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 small clove garlic
- 2 tablespoons tahini paste
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh parsley leaves

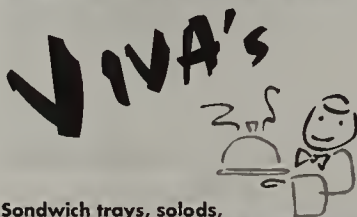
Preheat gas grill on high, with lid closed for about 10 minutes. While grill is heating, prick eggplants evenly all over with a fork. Turn heat down to medium and grill whole eggplants until skins darken and wrinkle on all sides and eggplants are uniformly soft when pressed with tongs, about 25 minutes. Turn eggplants every 5 minutes to ensure even cooking.

Remove eggplants from grill and let rest for 5 minutes. Trim top and bottom off each eggplant and cut in half lengthwise. Using a spoon, scoop the hot pulp from the skins and place in a colander. Set in the sink. Discard skins and let pulp drain for about 3 minutes.

Transfer pulp to a food processor. Add lemon juice, garlic, tahini, salt and pepper and process until mixture has a coarse texture, about eight 1-second pulses. Taste and add more salt and pepper if needed. Transfer to a serving bowl and cover with plastic wrap, flush to the surface of the dip. Refrigerate for about 45 minutes.

To serve, use a spoon to make a trough in the center of the dip and spoon olive oil into it. Sprinkle it with parsley and serve with warm pita bread.

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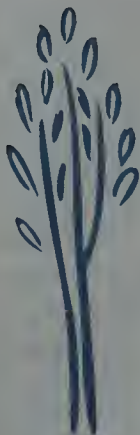
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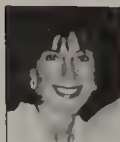
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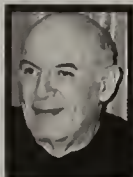
Collecting Israeli stamps and Judaica

Like most people, my wife, Deanna and I have collected stamps at various times. Amongst our collections is one devoted to Israeli stamps from the first provisional issues through to the late 1980s.

Recently, I've been thinking of resuming this pleasant hobby. In this column, I'm sharing some of what I found about collecting Israeli stamps and philatelic Judaica.

Fun and knowledge

A fun place to start is a site for Israeli stamps with portraits of famous Jews. Essentially, this is organized as a quiz site. There is a list of categories – e.g., famous rabbis, prominent Zionists, musicians, etc. When you click on a category, stamp designs appear, but without identification. See how many of these people you can identify. To check your answers, click on the individual stamp design, and a web page opens which gives you the name, some



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details on the person's life and sometimes a link to a website.

Shown as an Internet slide show, *A History of Israel on Stamps Since 1948*, is a fairly complete collection. Behind the general displays, there are large individual illustrations with commentary. This is interesting both as general and postal history. It's also a good general list for checking your progress in developing your Israeli collection and for providing background on your stamps.

Judaica collections

Many people collect stamps on broader themes connected with Jewish life and Judaism. J-Stamps is a website based on Dr. Murray Frost's collection. The main theme of this site is the Jewish history of stamps, and the pleasure is heightened by the wide-ranging approach used. When I looked at J-Stamps, the featured topic was Jewish weddings. Stamps from various countries were used to tell the story: e.g., a Rwanda stamp with a fine arts design about a Biblical betrothal, a Grenada stamp with one of Chagall's more romantic paintings, and so forth. Creative imagination can range widely when you organize a stamp collection around Jewish themes.

More somber is *Teaching the Holocaust Through Stamps*. The Israeli educators exhibit uses stamps from various countries (including Nazi Germany) to illustrate various stages in the history of the Holocaust. The exhibit helps teach lessons of remembrance and resistance by suggesting classroom activities using stamps.

Collecting Israeli Stamps

If you want to start collecting, Israeli stamps, the "must bookmark" website is the Israeli postal authority (available

in English and Hebrew). The link I've listed minimizes an annoying design bug. Access through this page, the sub site for the Philatelic Service, provides information on recent issues and lists facilities for direct purchase of Israel's stamps. This is a good way to enjoy your hobby, learn something, and, at the same time, regularly spend relatively small amounts to buy an Israeli product.

I also did a search for a couple of dealer sites, but I can't vouch for these sites, since, so far, I haven't ordered from them. Hy Cohen sells Israeli stamps. When I clicked on the logo for Israel, I got a pricelist for over 3000 items, from the first *Do'ar Ivri* issue (ancient coins) to the present. Prices were quite varied: e.g., 20 cents for a used set of the first six of the coin stamps; US\$495 for three of the second year coin set, mint, with tabs; and many at less than the US\$2.50 level.

For the second dealer site, I looked for Judaica topical stamps. I found these at *Judaica Sales Online*, a Canadian dealer in all types of paper collections of Judaica (e.g. autographs, posters, postcards, etc., as well as stamps). If you open up the section for Judaica philately (side menu), you will reach a search engine, which provides price lists for stamps on Jewish themes from various countries.

Websites

Portraits: <http://www-personal.umich.edu/%7Eszwetch/stamps.of.israel>

Israel's stamp history: <http://www.templebethitkavah.com/stamps/homepage.htm>

Murray Frost: <http://www.goletapublishing.com/jstamps>

Teaching the Holocaust: <http://mofetsrv.mofet.macam98.ac.il/~ochayo/einver.htm>

Israel postal service:

<http://www.postil.com/newmail.nsf/eng/sitemap?opendocument>

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From Generation to Generation: How to Trace Your Jewish Genealogy and Family History
By Arthur Kurzweil
Jossey-Bass/ John Wiley & Sons
Hardcover, 2004

Warning: Don't pick this book up unless you want to get hooked on genealogy. Because before you're even half-way through, you'll want to put everything aside to go full-throttle with a monumental quest that is time-consuming, addictive and nothing short of life-changing.

I am no genealogy maven. In fact, I have never given too much thought to finding out about my family history. Every so often, I'd wonder about the sheti my grandmother grew up in and I even went so far as to find out how it was spelled, having only had my Bubby's pronunciation of it. Once I determined its spelling – Grzymalów – I left the file I had opened on the subject cold, planning to return to it sometime, whenever. Half the problem was an indifference to doing the research required; the other half was not knowing how or where to begin.

Kurzweil's book has crushed the indifference. He has provided so much good information with a multitude of suggestions on where to begin and how to proceed, that I now have an even bigger problem: How am I going to fit this mega project into my already time-constrained life?

In the 24 years since the author first published *From Generation to Generation*, there have been huge strides made in the genealogical industry; the biggest, of course, being the Internet. There has also been a tremendous growth in Jewish genealogy in the availability of sources and reference materi-



The Book Beat

Kinneret Globerman

al, associations and societies. And that's what can make beginning a genealogical quest seem so daunting.

What's even more overwhelming is Kurzweil's assertion that, "mathematically speaking, each of us has had 1,024 direct ancestors in just the last ten generations. This is not aunts, uncles or cousins. Just direct [author's italics] ancestors (parents, grandparents, great-grandparents.)"

So where does one begin? Kurzweil revised and updated book sets out a systematic step-by-step plan on how to proceed. Beginning with tips and techniques (on taking notes, questions to ask, visiting relatives, photographs), he instructs readers on where and how to check records. (It's amazing how much information can be gleaned from a death certificate and *yizkor*/memorial books.) Other chapters are devoted to determining family names (patronyms, matronyms, surnames and their meanings, etc.), Holocaust research (highly disturbing, as you navigate through the survivor lists and death books), "the old country" with suggestions on how to locate your grandparents' shetls, and one on Jewish cemeteries and how to read the tombstones and locate the death certificates. A propensity for sleuthing helps, and the understanding that every lead, no matter how obscure it might appear to be, is worth investigating.

A few chapters are devoted to the main reference sources on Jewish genealogy. In publishing, it's *Avotaynu* (Kurzweil urges everyone to subscribe to their Review). In cyberspace, it's *JewishGen.org*. Kurzweil says, "This site will blow your mind." I tried it and he's right. There's also a chapter on immigration, in Canada and in the United States.

Although this is written from an American perspective, Kurzweil lists Canadian resources. Your best bet is the National Archives of Canada, in Ottawa.

The author admits that books like his are almost immediately outdated as soon as they are published and so he claims not to have written the definitive book on the subject. However, the sources he provides will keep one busy for a very long time, and certainly, will lead the reader to newer sources and discoveries.

The Cultural Guide to Jewish Europe

Various journalists and historians
Seuil Chronicle/Distributed by Raincoast Books
Hardcover, 2002

This book is a good follow-up to Kurzweil's. As Elie Wiesel says in the mini introduction, "Turning the pages, we go from one century to the next, from one event to another, from history ancient to contemporary ... This guide is not just for travelers."

Turning to the section on Poland, from whence my grand-

mother came, I read in the intro "there were 3,500,000 Jews in Poland in 1939 ... a maximum of 2,000 to 3,000 live here today." The text tells the story of Jews once thriving, continually persecuted. Now, contemporary Polish Jewish communities are barely able to get minyanim.

Each section of Europe is divided into sub-sections and illustrated with full-colour pictures. Explanations of some of the bigger communities are given with landmarks described. Access directions are spelled out, and museums and synagogues and hours of visiting included. (Some of the photos of the interiors and exteriors of these synagogues are stunning.)

The *Guide* is not a comprehensive listing of all relevant Jewish sites in Europe. It highlights centres that were once full of Jewish culture, and where there remains something worth seeing. An appendix of "Contents by City" is offered, for easy reference, as are addresses and phone numbers.

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• A sociable Russian senior in Kanata wants some help with conversational English, but finds it difficult to join our JFS classes on a regular basis. Could you visit her at her home once a week and just engage in conversation with her?

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At the Greenberg Families Library:

The music appreciation series of six inspiring lectures continues in the SJCC's Zelikovitz Families Social Hall. "Cities of Music," presented by Carleton University professor and noted music critic and lecturer Jean-Jacques Van Vlasselaer, highlights the music being played during the 2004-2005 Ottawa music season by the NAC and the Ottawa Symphony orchestras and Opera Lyra. The topic for Wednesday, October 13 at 1:30 pm is the music of Helsinki – Sibelius, Rautavaara and Saariaho. The cost is \$12 per lecture or \$45 for the series for members; \$15 per lecture or \$65 for the season for non-members.

The new Book Discussion series begins with Anzia Yezierska's *Bread Givers*. A master at bringing the Jewish American immigrant experience in the early 1920s to life, Yezierska's book was ahead of its time: it tells the story of Sara Smolinsky, daughter to an Orthodox rabbi, who rebels against her father's rigid conception of Jewish womanhood. This year's book discussion series will be led by *Book Beat* columnist and freelance writer, Kinneret Globerman, and will alternate between afternoon and evening sessions. This first session takes place Wednesday, October 13 at 7:30 pm and is free to Library members. Non-members: \$5 per discussion or \$20 for the six-discussions series.

The Ottawa Jewish Film Society opens its season with the 2002 Academy Award-winning film for best foreign film, *Nowhere in Africa*, on Sunday, October 17 at 2:00 pm. In German with English sub-titles, this 142-minute film, a love story spanning two continents, is a true story of a Jewish family who flees the Nazi regime in 1938 for a remote farm in Kenya. Free for all Library and SJCC members.

For more information on all or any of these programs, please call Donna or Estelle at the Library (798-9818, ext. 245).

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OCTOBER 4

UJA Young Women's Leadership Council Information Night, home of Cindy Polove, 7:30 pm.

TUESDAY
OCTOBER 5

UJA Public Service Event with "Stewart Bell", Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Colborne Avenue, 7:30 pm.

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 13



Greenberg Families Library, A Music Appreciation Series presented by Jean-Jacques Van Vlasselaer, "Helsinki" The music of Sibelius, Rautavaara and Saariaho, 1:30 pm.

Soloway Jewish Community Centre, Total Nutritional Makeover Lecture Series, 7:00 pm.

Greenberg Families Library Book Discussion, "Bread Givers by Anzia Yezierska," 7:30 pm.

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 17

Hillel Lodge Tea, Hillel Lodge, 10 Nadolny Sachs Private, 2:00 pm.

Ottawa Jewish Film Society, "Nowhere in Africa", 2:00 pm.



Raoul Wallenberg – Symbol of Justice and Humanity commemoration, Ben Franklin Place 101 Centerpointe, 2:00 pm. The exhibit runs October 17-19 and October 22-25.

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation Opening Meeting/ Reception, home of Myrna and Norman Barwin, 4:00 pm.

Vered Israel Cultural and Educational Program, Israel House for Families and Karaoke for kids, 5:30 pm.



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| Oct 15 | ☆ 5:59 pm |
| Oct 22 | ☆ 5:47 pm |
| Oct 29 | ☆ 5:36 pm |
| Nov 5 | ☆ 4:26 pm |
| Nov 12 | ☆ 4:18 pm |
| Nov 19 | ☆ 4:11 pm |
| Nov 26 | ☆ 4:06 pm |
| Dec 3 | ☆ 4:03 pm |

COMING SOON

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19
Tour de Vaad, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Info: 798-4696, ext. 248

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

OJHS lecture:
Betsy Alexandor Rigal on the life of Sylva Gelber,
Agudath Israel Synagogue, 7:30 pm.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Newcomer's Tea, 2:30 - 4:30 pm.
Intro: Rozzi Kanigsberg (746-0832)
or Ruth Calot (523-1600)

NOVEMBER 13 AND 14

Soloway Jewish Community Centre Arts Alive 2004.

NOVEMBER 15

JNF Negev Dinner 2004 with Alan Dershowitz.
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